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SUBJECT: TURKISH GOVERNMENT'S POSITION ON FEDERAL SOLUTION FOR
CYPRUS

REF: NICOSIA 193

1. THE NEW GOVERNMENT'S POLICY PROGRAM, WHICH WAS READ
FEBRUARY 1 (AND IS THE SUBJECT OF SEPTEL), SHOWS A SLIGHTLY
SOFTENED LINE ON CYPRUS WHILE STILL MAKING CLEAR THAT AN
INDEPENDENT, FEDERAL STATE IS THE "MOST APPROPRIATE FORM OF
SOLUTION."

2. MFA OFFICIALS, INCLUDING CYPRUS-GREECE DEPT HEAD
BARUTCU, HAVE INDICATED TO US THAT IN THEIR JUDGMENT THERE WILL BE
NO CHANGE IN TURKEY'S CYPRUS POLICY, WHICH IN THEIR WORDS IS
A NATIONAL POSITION CARRIED OVER FROM GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT.

3. THE CYPRUS PARAGRAPHS OF BOTH THE POLICY PROGRAM AND
THE COALITION PROTOCOL ARE DISTILLATIONS OF LAST SUMMER'S RPP
ELECTION PLATFORM, BUT DO NOT INCLUDE SOME OF THE PLATFORM'S
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POLEMICS RE PROTECTING THE TURKISH COMMUNITY FROM THREATS,

DANGERS, AND DOMINATION.

4. FOR MIN GUNES, AFTER HIS RECENT VISIT TO CYPRUS (BUT
BEFORE BECOMING FORMIN), WAS QUOTED BY THE PRESS AS UPHOLDING
THE TURKISH CYPRIOT RIGHT TO "AUTONOMOUS ADMINISTRATION". AGAIN
IN THE PROTOCOL AND IN THE PROGRAM, THIS POINT HAS BEEN LEFT
UNSAID.

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